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Mr. William E. Colby  
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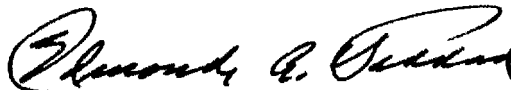
Now that 1974 is upon us, I would like to reiterate our invitation for you to address the Los Angeles World Affairs Council. In your letter of August 9, 1973, you indicated that we might try to firm up a date sometime in 1974.

I wonder if late April or May would be possible? If not, then perhaps in September. As Tom Jones indicated in his letter to you last summer, we would be honored to host you at either a luncheon or a dinner meeting of the Council.

Please know that we will do everything possible to insure your visit will be successful and fruitful. I am enclosing the latest brochure about the Los Angeles World Affairs Council.

Very best wishes for a happy and successful new year.

Sincerely,



Edmonde A. Haddad  
Executive Director

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Each year more than 3,000 distinguished international visitors come to Los Angeles under the auspices of the Department of State. The World Affairs Council serves as the official Southern California programming agency for these grantees. This involves arranging professional appointments, sight-seeing, home hospitality and visits to points of particular cultural interest. Visitors include government officials; business executives; educators; professional men and women; representatives of foreign press, radio and television; labor leaders; artists and scientists from all over the world.

The primary purpose of this program is to offer leaders from other nations an opportunity to know Americans as individuals and as a nation. The visitors gain knowledge about and appreciation for life in the United States, its culture, economy, and system of government. This program is one of the most important ventures in practical international relations undertaken in America today, and Council members may share in it as volunteer escorts and hosts to these leaders and specialists.

Many national leaders of other countries today are former grantees of the Educational and Cultural Exchange Program. Among them have been 8 Prime Ministers; 5 Presidents; 1 Chancellor; 1 Governor General; and 209 Cabinet Ministers from 64 countries throughout the world.

For further information regarding the International Visitor Program, call (213) 629-3166.

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Each year the World Affairs Council conducts a series of Diplomatic Tours and members are invited to participate. The trips are fully-escorted and include private Diplomatic Briefings by United States Ambassadors and other high-ranking officials in U.S. embassies and by members of the Foreign Ministries in the major nations visited.

World Affairs Council Diplomatic Tours are limited in size and operated on a deluxe basis. Careful attention is given to insure a balanced itinerary which combines special sight-seeing opportunities with ample free time to shop, rest, or pursue personal interests.

Additional information concerning the travel program is available through the Council office in Los Angeles.

In keeping with its policy of disseminating factual information on International Affairs the Council has brought many of the world's leading statesmen, scientists, explorers and public figures to Los Angeles and to the Council's platform. Members and their guests have the opportunity to personally hear them address Council luncheon or dinner meetings and to participate in ensuing question periods. Included among the speakers have been:

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Now in its twentieth year, the Los Angeles World Affairs Council is a community educational organization, non-partisan and non-profit, with a membership of nearly 7,000 representative citizens of this area. Its purpose is to give its members and their guests the opportunity to learn and discuss the facts and issues shaping American foreign and defense policy and related issues. Its belief is that an informed public opinion is the democratic basis for sound national policy and that public understanding of the dynamics of international relations is essential to the formation of such a policy.

The Council takes no political stand, and never advocates any specific policy or action. It seeks to present all sides of complicated policy questions. Since its organization in 1953, the Council has remained independent of any other organization — local, national or international. Council policy is established by a board of directors of well-known Southern California citizens, and its activities are carried out through the cooperation of its directors, members, and staff. The Council derives its financial support from its members, both individual and organizational. All who are interested are invited to join and to participate in its activities.

**The Meaning of Membership:**

Membership means being a part of one of the most prestigious citizens' organizations in the nation.

Membership in the Council and the contribution of annual membership dues, is a contribution to the cultural vitality of Southern California. By joining and supporting the Council, local residents make it possible for the community to receive the leading figures of our time, and to provide them with a distinguished forum to discuss the major issues confronting the world. Through membership in the Council, citizens give their private assistance to a voluntary effort to furnish a wide spectrum of information to all interested people, without bias, endorsement of any policy or viewpoint, or support of any particular individual.

Membership has its personal rewards: the opportunity to receive invitations to hear first-hand the leaders of the world, to meet and personally host distinguished foreign visitors and to participate in special Diplomatic Tours overseas.

The International Forum is an additional activity available to all younger members of the Los Angeles World Affairs Council.

The International Forum meets from time to time to hear prominent speakers on international subjects.

The meetings are more informal than the regular meetings of the Los Angeles World Affairs Council. The speaker is limited to a 15 to 20 minute presentation which leaves time for an extensive question — and — answer period and allows for more give and take between the audience and the speaker.

To facilitate meaningful discussion, attendance is limited to no more than 75 participants. Meetings may be scheduled for breakfast, lunch, or cocktails.

#### **REGIONAL DIVISION**

In order to better serve the wide geographical area of Southern California, the Los Angeles World Affairs Council has joined with prominent citizens of the Orange County area to form an area council. This regional organization presents major speakers at dinner meetings for its membership.

#### **World Affairs Council of Orange County:**

The World Affairs Council of Orange County, a division of the Los Angeles World Affairs Council, holds regular meetings in the major centers of that important area of Southern California. Many speakers appearing on the Los Angeles podium also address the Orange County Council, as well as statesmen invited especially for that council. It is led by a distinguished group of Orange County residents and guided and supported by the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Council. Membership information may be obtained by contacting the Los Angeles office, or the Orange County office: (714) 835-2564.

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